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Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources Public Hearings and Meetings June 21-27, 2009, 2009

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Hearings

No public hearings are scheduled this week.

Meetings

June 22 - The Finance Committee of the Governor's Snowmobile Recreation Council will meet by conference call on from 10 to 11:30 a.m. The public access location will be the Conference Room at the Portage County Annex, 1462 Strongs Ave., Stevens Point. The purpose of the conference call is to review the proposed budget for the upcoming year. For more information, please contact Diane Conklin at 715/822-8583.

June 22 - The Infrastructure Committee of the Governor's Snowmobile Recreation Council will meet at noon, in the Conference Room at the Portage County Annex, 1462 Strongs Ave., Stevens Point. The purpose of the meeting is to review grant applications and develop any questions regarding applications to allow sponsors ample time to respond prior to the funding meeting in July. They will also be discussing equipment classifications and rates, and general trail issues. The agenda for this meeting will be available on the DNR Web site at: http://dnr.wi.gov/org/caer/cfa/Grants/Agendas-Minutes/councilmeetings.html under the appropriate committee's site. For further information, please contact Diane Conklin at 715/822-8583.

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June 23-24 - The State Natural Resources Board [http://dnr.wi.gov/org/nrboard/] will meet at a location to be announced. NRB meeting agendas [http://dnr.wi.gov/org/nrboard/agenda.html] are available on the Natural Resources Board Web pages. For more information contact Laurie Ross, Natural Resources Board Liaison at (608) 267-7420.

June 23 & 30 - The Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources and the Minnesota Pollution Control Agency will hold a series of community meetings to get input from citizens, businesses and local units of government on ways to improve the water quality of Lake St. Croix. Lake St. Croix, the lower 25 miles of the St. Croix River, is an impaired water body because of excess phosphorus. High levels of phosphorus in water can cause algal blooms that are harmful to humans, pets and our lakes, streams and rivers. Two sessions will be held each day, which will include a 20-minute presentation and a 10-minute question-and-answer period followed by small-group discussion. For information contact Kathy Bartilson of the Wisconsin DNR at 715-635-4053. The remaining Lake St. Croix Restoration community meetings will be held:

June 23, Frederic, Wisconsin - Frederic High School, 1437 Clam Falls Dr., 3:30 to 5 p.m. and 6 to 7:30 p.m.

June 30, Hudson, Wisconsin - Phipps Center for the Arts 109 Locust St., 4 to 5:30 p.m. and 6:30 to 8 p.m.

June 24 - A public meeting on the Pike Lake Master Plan project will be held from 4 to 8 p.m. at the Hartford Town Hall, 3360 CTH K, located one-half mile south of Hwy. 60, Hartford. The meeting is an open-house format, and the public is invited to stop in anytime between to learn about the master planning process, and to provide input on the proposed vision statement and goals for the future management and development of the forest. The 688-acre Pike Lake Unit of the Kettle Moraine State Forest opened in 1971. A 1974 development plan outlined proposed facility development at the forest, and an updated 1986 plan proposed new facilities for the beach and picnic areas. The draft master plan will be available for public review and comment in late summer. More information is available on the Web site at [http://dnr.state.wi.gov/master_planning] or by contacting Therese Gripentrog, Landscape Architect, 414-263-8669, therese.gripentrog@wisconsin.gov; or Terry Jensen, Forest Superintendent, Pike Lake Unit, 3544 Kettle Moraine Road, Hartford, 262-670-3403, terry.jensen@wisconsin.gov.

June 26 - The Department of Natural Resources will host a Technical Advisory Committee meeting to discuss development of an administrative rule creating standards for high-quality compost from source-separated organic materials and modifying current regulations in s. NR 502.12 governing compost facilities. The meeting will take place from 1 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. at the University of Wisconsin West Madison Agricultural Research Station, 8502 Mineral Point Road, **Madison**. For more information about the meeting, contact Brad Wolbert at (608) 264-6286.

June 27 & 27 - Two Open Houses will provide the public with an opportunity to comment on the "Preferred Alternatives and Options" on the Master Plan for the Flambeau River State Forest. Master Plans guide management activity on Department of Natural Resource's owned lands and are updated every 15 years. The Flambeau River State Forest in Sawyer, Price, Rusk, Iron and Ashland counties was established in 1930. Beginning with 3,600 acres in public ownership, the forest has since grown to include 90,000 acres. Northern hardwood species such as sugar maple, red maple, yellow birch and white ash dominate the forest, which creates a spectacular fall display. The North and South Forks of the Flambeau River combine within the forest to provide more than 75 miles of nearly uninterrupted natural beauty and whitewater excitement. Anyone can provide comments on the plan either online, in writing by mail or during the public meetings. The comment deadline is August 1, 2009. A copy of the forest's "Regional and Property Analysis" can be found at http://dnr.wi.gov/forestry/StateForests/SF-Flambeau/. For more information contact: Jim Halvorson, Flambeau State Forest superintendent, Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources, W1613 Cty Rd. W, Winter, WI. 54896-7501, (715) 332-5271, ext 105, or by e-mail at [james.halvorson@wisconsin.gov]. The open houses will take place:

June 26, Park Falls - from 3 to 7 p.m. at the Park Falls City Hall, 400 Fourth Ave. South. June 27, Winter - from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the Big Bear Lodge Restaurant, W1614 County Road W.